CHAPTER 391.

AN ACT to build a bridge over South River in Anne Arundel county.

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Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of build bridge. Maryland, That the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county be and they are hereby authorized and required to contract for building and keeping in repair a free bridge over South River, in Anne Arundel county, from the shore of Alexander Randall to the shore of Mrs. Stephen L. Lee, so as to connect a public road hereafter to be laid out and opened from said points; the said bridge to be constructed with a draw in the channel of said river of sufficient width to pass side-wheel steamers usually navigating said river; but the said bridge, in the entire cost of its construction, shall not exceed the sum of sixteen thousand dollars.

Cost not to exceed.

Authorized to levy.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted. That for the construction of said bridge the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county be and they are hereby authorized and required to levy, on the assessable property of said county, in such manner and at such time or times as they may deem best, a sum of money not exceeding sixteen thousand dollars, sufficient for the building of said bridge, a portion thereof at least to be levied at their next levy term.

Advertise proposals.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the said County Commissioners shall, before contracting for the building of said bridge, advertise for proposals for the building of the same, for three successive weeks, in some newspaper of fair circulation in the county, and which shall be published at least once a week, or by handbills posted at suitable places; said proposals to be delivered sealed, and at the expiration of said period of advertisement, the aforesaid County Commissioners shall open and examine said proposals, and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders; and if the person or persons who shall be awarded the contract for the building of said bridge shall fail to comply with all the requirements and specifications of the same, the said com-

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